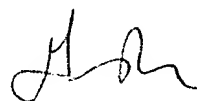


REMARKS

Applicants respectfully traverse the above restriction requirement. It would appear that the two groups of claims are sufficiently related such that examination of both groups in one application would be most efficient and not unduly burdensome. Therefore it is requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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